

ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT
OFFICIAL MINUTES – MAY 21, 2019

THE ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS COURT MET ON TUESDAY, MAY 7, 2019 AT 2:04 P.M., IN THE HISTORIC ELLIS COUNTY COURTHOUSE, COMMISSIONERS COURTROOM (2ND FLOOR) 101 W. MAIN STREET, WAXAHACHIE, TEXAS AT WHICH TIME THE FOLLOWING WAS DISCUSSED AND CONSIDERED, TO-WIT:

MEMBERS PRESENT:

COUNTY JUDGE: TODD LITTLE

COUNTY CLERK: TINA CHAMBERS, CHIEF DEPUTY

COMMISSIONERS:

ASSISTANT COUNTY ATTORNEY: VANCE HINDS

RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 1
LANE GRAYSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 2
PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 3
KYLE BUTLER, COMMISSIONER, PCT. 4

OPENING COURT

COUNTY JUDGE CALLS MEETING TO ORDER, DECLARES QUORUM AND DECLARES NOTICES LEGALLY POSTED PURSUANT TO OPEN MEETINGS ACT.

MOTION TO OPEN COURT BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – *COMMISSIONER PAUL PERRY*

PUBLIC COMMENT - MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WILL HAVE THE OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE THEIR COMMENTS AT THE TIME THE AGENDA ITEM IS BEING ADDRESSED.

RECOGNITION/COMMENDATIONS/AWARDS

AA RECOGNIZING MAY AS HISTORIC PRESERVATION MONTH – *HERITAGE PRESERVATION COMMISSION, HISTORIC WAXAHACHIE, INC.*

PUBLIC HEARINGS:

MOTION TO OPEN P1 BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

P1 PUBLIC HEARING FOR ELLIS COUNTY VOTERS TO SPEAK ABOUT THE USE OF COUNTYWIDE POLLING LOCATIONS (VOTE CENTERS). – *JANA ONYON, ELECTIONS*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: CHERI HAWLEY, RED OAK; RANDY BELLAMY, OVILLA; LUPE ALVAREZ, ENNIS; TONY PADILLA, FERRIS; ERIC BLAKE, MIDLOTHIAN; CHARLOTTE WALLACE, ELECTIONS OFFICE; WILLIAM WESTBROOK, ITALY; BRENDA ADAMS (DID NOT WISH TO ADDRESS COURT BUT REGISTERED "FOR" AGENDA ITEM)

MOTION TO CLOSE P1 BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MOTION TO OPEN P2 BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

P2 PUBLIC HEARING REGARDING THE PROPOSED NAME CHANGE OF A PORTION OF PUMPHOUSE ROAD TO SOUTH PUMPHOUSE ROAD. – *TED KANTOR, ENGINEERING*

NO PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

MOTION TO CLOSE P2 BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 235.19 APPROVING CONSENT AGENDA, EXCLUDING A3

ADMINISTRATIVE:

- A1 APPROVING OF REGULAR BILLS, PAYROLL, AND OFFICERS' REPORTS
- A2 APPROVING COMMISSIONERS COURT MINUTES FROM MAY 7, 2019. – *KRYSTAL VALDEZ, COUNTY CLERK*
- A3 MOVED TO REGULAR AGENDA
- A4 ACCEPTING THE APRIL 2019 TRAVEL REPORTS FOR THE TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION OFFICE: MARK ARNOLD, LIZ ESPIE, MEGAN PARR. – *MARK ARNOLD, TEXAS AGRILIFE EXTENSION OFFICE*

FINANCIAL:

- F1 FROM 001-0520-508020 EQUIPMENT \$600.00; 001-0520-508730 MAINTENANCE/REPAIRS \$600.00 To 001-0520-508010 SUPPLIES \$600.00; 001-0520-508010 SUPPLIES \$600.00 – *JACKIE MILLER, JR., JUSTICE OF THE PEACE, PRECINCT 2*
- F2 FROM 042-0942-303020 FUND FORFEITURE BALANCE \$2,438.66 To 042-0942-508020 EQUIPMENT \$2,438.66 – *CHUCK EDGE, SHERIFF*
- F3 FROM 001-0060-507030 TELEPHONE \$1,500.00; 001-0060-508010 SUPPLIES \$500.00; 001-0060-508080 AUTO GAS \$500.00; 001-0060-508730 OFFICE EQUIPMENT/REPAIR \$500.00 To 001-0060-508020 EQUIPMENT \$500.00; 001-0060-508050 CONFERENCE \$1,500.00; 001-0060-508100 AUTO TIRES \$1,000.00 – *ALBERTO MARES, DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT*

SIMPLIFIED PLAT

- SP1 APPROVING A SIMPLIFIED PLAT OF MEDINA ADDITION. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 9.960 ACRES OF LAND IN THE A.J. PORTER SURVEY, ABSTRACT No. 829 LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF BATCHLER ROAD ± 1,950 FEET NORTH OF FM 983, IN THE ETJ OF THE CITY OF RED OAK, ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT No. 1

- SP2 APPROVING A SIMPLIFIED PLAT OF LOTS 1 & 2, BLOCK 1 OF RICHLAND CREEK ESTATES. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 8.36 ACRES OF LAND IN THE G.W. SEVIER SURVEY, ABSTRACT No. 958, LOCATED ON THE WEST SIDE OF SEVIER ROAD NORTH OF INTERSTATE HIGHWAY 35 (IH-35), MILFORD, ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT No. 3.

- SP3 APPROVING A SIMPLIFIED PLAT OF MOON ESTATES. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 4.001 ACRES OF LAND IN THE R. DE LA PENNA SURVEY, ABSTRACT No. 3 LOCATED AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF STACKS ROAD AND BENNETT ROAD, ENNIS, ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT No. 1

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

To A3

MINUTE ORDER 236.19 (A3) APPROVING ELLIS COUNTY TO REQUEST, BY RESOLUTION, FOR SUCCESSFUL STATUS IN THE COUNTYWIDE POLLING LOCATION PROGRAM (VOTE CENTERS). – JANA ONYON, ELECTIONS

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

DEPARTMENT OF DEVELOPMENT

MINUTE ORDER 237.19 (1.1) APPROVING A PRELIMINARY PLAT OF CROSS FENCE AT OAK VISTA. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS A TOTAL OF ± 248.60 ACRES OF LAND IN THE S. B. ORTON SURVEY, ABSTRACT No. 813, THE J. FIFER SURVEY ABSTRACT No. 352, AND THE D.M. McNEIL SURVEY, ABSTRACT No. 71 LOCATED ON THE NORTH SIDE OF FM 66 ± 6,200 FEET WEST OF ARROWHEAD ROAD IN THE ETJ OF THE CITIES OF WAXAHACHIE & MAYPEARL, ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT 3.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 238.19 (1.2) APPROVING A REQUEST TO GRANT A ONE-TIME VARIANCE FOR PARCEL ID No. 186872 FROM SECTION IV (B)(2) (RESIDENTIAL LOTS) OF THE SUBDIVISION DEVELOPMENT STANDARDS TO ALLOW TWO (2) LOTS WITHOUT MEETING THE MINIMUM PUBLIC ROAD FRONTAGE. THE PROPERTY CONTAINS ± 2.00 ACRES OF LAND ON THE WEST SIDE OF COLE ROAD ± 504 FEET SOUTH OF FM 664, IN THE ETJ OF THE CITY OF RED OAK, ROAD & BRIDGE PRECINCT No. 4

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

ADMINISTRATIVE

NO ACTION

(3.1) ELLIS COUNTY BURN BAN. – *TIM BIRDWELL, FIRE MARSHALL*

To 3.3

MINUTE ORDER 239.19 (3.3) ACCEPTING \$100.00 DONATION MADE TO THE ELLIS COUNTY SHERIFF'S OFFICE FROM THE WAXAHACHIE JUNIOR SERVICE LEAGUE. IT WILL BE USED FOR CRIME PREVENTION HANDOUTS TO BE ISSUED AT FUNCTIONS SUCH AS NATIONAL NIGHT OUT. – *CHUCK EDGE, SHERIFF*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 240.19 (3.4) APPROVING AN OFFICE CHANGE FOR MARIA RIVERA AT THE MIDLOTHIAN OFFICE. SHE WILL STAY IN THE SAME BUILDING BUT CHANGE OFFICES TO BE MORE ACCESSIBLE TO THE PUBLIC. – *TERRI KLEIN, INDIGENT HEALTH*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 241.19 (3.5) AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A RENEWAL WITH WESTLAW FOR WEST PROFLEX. THIS SYSTEM IS FOR PATRON/ATTORNEY ACCESS. – *CARLA CATES, LAW LIBRARY*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 242.19 (3.6) AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A CONTRACT, PENDING LEGAL APPROVAL, FOR PLACEMENT OF AN ATM AT 109 S. JACKSON ST., WAXAHACHIE, TX 75165. – *CARLA CATES, LAW LIBRARY*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 243.19 (3.7) AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN ELLIS COUNTY AND THE DEFENSE LOGISTICS AGENCY TO ALLOW THE SHERIFF'S OFFICE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE 1033/LESO PROGRAM. – *CHUCK EDGE, SHERIFF*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 244.19 (3.8) AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN THE SOLICITATION/CONTRACT/ORDER FOR COMMERCIAL ITEMS TO PROVIDE DEPUTY SERVICES FOR THE US ARMY ENGINEER DISTRICT. DEPUTIES WILL PATROL PARKS AROUND LAKE BARDWELL STARTING MAY 17, 2019 – SEPTEMBER 2, 2019. – *CHUCK EDGE, SHERIFF*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER STINSON, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

NO ACTION (3.10) DISCUSSION ON THE COUNTY WEBSITE: ROAD CLOSURE LIST MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES. – *PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3*

NO ACTION (3.11) ACCEPTANCE OF COMPENSATORY TIME REPORT. *THERESA TAYLOR, HUMAN RESOURCES*

NO ACTION (3.12) PRESENTATION BY GARRETT PETERS, REPRESENTATIVE FOR SOLAR STRATEGIC ENERGY LLC, CONCERNING A TAX ABATEMENT AND REINVESTMENT ZONE FOR A SOLAR PROJECT LOCATED IN ENNIS, TEXAS.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: JANET MCCLELLAND, ENNIS; KIRK COLWELL, ENNIS; KATHY PONCE, MAYPEARL; PENNY STORY, RED OAK

To 3.2

MINUTE ORDER 245.19 (3.2) AUTHORIZING THE COUNTY JUDGE TO SIGN A 42 MONTH EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY'S ELECTRIC CONTRACT WITH ENGIE ENERGY, NOT TO EXCEED 4.525¢ PER KWH. THIS WILL INCLUDE THE ORDER GRANTING THE EXEMPTION UNDER SECTION 262.024, LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, FROM THE BIDDING REQUIREMENTS OF SECTION 262.023, LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE, FOR THE PURCHASE OF ELECTRICITY FROM ENGIE RESOURCES, LLC. – *LARRY EON, TEXZON ENERGY*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

To 3.9

NO ACTION (3.9) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON COURTHOUSE SECURITY AND LEGAL REQUIREMENTS CONCERNING LTC HOLDERS ACCESS TO ELLIS COUNTY PUBLIC BUILDINGS. – *PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PRECINCT 3*

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: TIM BERNEKING, BARDWELL; SAM BRYANT-SD22; AMY HEDTKE, WAXAHACHIE; KATHY PONCE, MAYPEARL; RANDY BELLAMY, OVILLA; PENNY STORY, RED OAK; DOUG ROSENBERG, WAXAHACHIE; ANITA BROWN

MINUTE ORDER 246.19 (3.9) APPROVING THE CREATION OF A COMMITTEE CONSISTING OF THE SHERIFF, COUNTY JUDGE AND COMMISSIONER PERRY TO DISCUSS COURTHOUSE SECURITY. THE COMMITTEE WILL BRING BACK RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE COMMISSIONERS COURT BY 6-30-19.

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 247.19 (3.13) RESCINDING THE BID AND REQUEST FOR APPLICATION (R.F.A. 2019-005) RELATING TO THE PUBLIC FUNDS DEPOSITORY CONTRACT, THEN AUTHORIZING TO SEND BACK OUT TO COMPLY WITH THE STATUTE. – *HANNAH McCLEARY, PURCHASING*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

MINUTE ORDER 248.19 (3.14) APPROVING THE EXTENSION OF THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC FUNDS DEPOSITORY CONTRACT FOR UP TO 90 DAYS WITH FIRST FINANCIAL BANK, N.A. – *HANNAH McCLEARY, PURCHASING*

MOTION TO APPROVE BY COMMISSIONER GRAYSON, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

NO ACTION (3.15) DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO CHOOSE THE PROCESS BY WHICH THE COUNTY'S PUBLIC FUNDS DEPOSITORY WILL BE SELECTED ACCORDING TO LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE §116.023. – *HANNAH McCLEARY, PURCHASING*

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS – NO DELIBERATION OR ACTION TO BE TAKEN

- D1 SUBJECT: PAST – RECENTLY COMPLETED, CURRENT – PUBLIC OUTREACH/EVENTS, AND FUTURE – PROGRAMS/GRANTS – *SAMANTHA PICKETT, EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT*
- D2 SUBJECT: FIRE INVESTIGATIONS, FIRE INSPECTIONS, AND ILLEGAL DUMPING – *TIM BIRDWELL, FIRE MARSHAL*
- D3 SUBJECT: OVERVIEW OF BUILDING MAINTENANCE COSTS, PROJECTS COMPLETED 2018/2019, AND FUTURE PROJECTS – *KEITH ROBERTS, MAINTENANCE*

ADJOURNMENT **5:35 P.M.**

MOTION TO ADJOURN BY COMMISSIONER PERRY, SECOND BY COMMISSIONER BUTLER, CARRIES UNANIMOUSLY

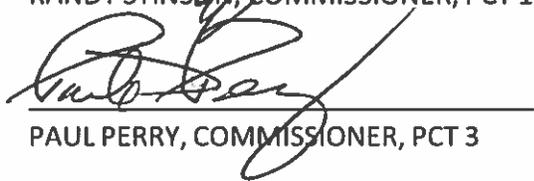
THE OFFICIAL MINUTES OF THE ELLIS COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' COURT OF MAY 21, 2019 ARE HEREBY APPROVED.

PRESIDING OFFICER:

Absent

TODD LITTLE, COUNTY JUDGE


RANDY STINSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT 1


PAUL PERRY, COMMISSIONER, PCT 3


LANE GRAYSON, COMMISSIONER, PCT 2


KYLE BUTLER, COMMISSIONER, PCT 4

WITNESS MY HAND AND OFFICIAL SEAL OF OFFICE THIS 4TH DAY OF JUNE 2019.


KRYSTAL VALDEZ, COUNTY CLERK

